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SUBJECT: SWEDISH VIEWS ON VIETNAM

1. WHEN I CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSSON TODAY (NOVEMBER 5) PRIOR TO MY DEPARTURE FOR CONSULTATION IN DEPARTMENT, FOREIGN MINISTER SAID HE WANTED TO TALK ABOUT "THE SERIOUS SITUATION" IN VIETNAM. ANDERSSON APOLOGIZED FOR RAISING THIS ISSUE, BUT IN HIS VIEW, VIETNAM SITUATION IS SUCH THAT IT MIGHT LEAD TO RESUMPTION OF FULL-SCALE HOSTILITIES.

2. FOREIGN MINISTER BEGAN HIS PRESENTATION BY SAYING THAT WHEN HE HAD TALKED WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER EARLY LAST MONTH AT UNGA, THE SECRETARY HAD SUGGESTED THAT SINCE GOS HAS GOOD RELATIONS WITH NORTH VIETNAM, IT SHOULD PREVAIL UPON HANOI GOVERNMENT TO RETURN TO CONFERENCE TABLE WITH RVN. AT THAT TIME, ANDERSSON REPLIED THAT IN ACTUAL FACT GOS DOES NOT HAVE GREAT DEAL OF INFLUENCE WITH NORTH VIETNAM.

3. NOW, ANDERSSON CONTINUED, GOS HAS RELIABLE INFORMATION (WHICH HE ASSUMES USG ALSO POSSESSES) THAT THERE IS MASSIVE DEPLOYMENT OF NORTH VIETNAMESE FORCES TOWARDS SOUTH VIETNAM. GOS BELIEVES HANOI WILL BE TEMPTED TO ATTACK SOUTH, THINKING TIME PROPITIOUS BECAUSE OF THIEU'S INTERNAL DIFFICULTIES.

AT SAME TIME, ANDERSSON ADDED, GOS "UNDERSTANDS" THAT HANOI

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WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO PROPOSAL BY THIEU GOVERNMENT TO

"START UP AGAIN MACHINERY ESTABLISHED UNDER PARIS TREATY."

4. I REITERATED OUR VIEWS BOTH ON ATTITUDE OF NORTH VIETNAM AND SITUATION IN SOUTH. ANDERSSON LISTENED CAREFULLY. HE THEN SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE INFORMATION HE HAD GIVEN ME COULD BE CONVEYED TO THE USG AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. I ASSURED HIM THAT I WOULD DO SO, ADDING THAT USG ALWAYS WELCOMES VIEWS OF THOSE WHO, LIKE OURSELVES, WISHED TO ACHIEVE A JUST SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT IN S.E. ASIA. ANDERSSON THANKED ME, AND EMPHASIZED ONCE MORE THAT GOS INFORMATION WAS THAT HANOI WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO APPROACH BY THIEU GOVERNMENT, NOTWITHSTANDING COUNTERVAILING INCLINATION TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIEU'S DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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